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Title: AUTOMATIC DIFFERENTIATION OF A SAMPLE SOLUTION

AND A CONTROL SOLUTION

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT)

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2008, please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-mentioned patent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any extensions of time as well as any additional fees or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 23-3030 but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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